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"And they cried, The Sword of the Lord, and of Gideon." Judges 7:20

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News From Christian Colleges, Bible Institutes and Seminaries

John Brown University

John Brown University at Siloam Springs, Arkansas, is called "America's first university of vocational specialization." The Sword of the Lord Conference on Evangelism at John Brown University, June 27-July 4, was richly blessed. The young president, John E. Brown, Jr., has a fine grip on student body and faculty and on the public, and we were much impressed with his fine character, his integrity and brotherliness. Dr. John E. Brown, Sr., evangelist, radio minister, and educator, greatly used of God for many years, is the founder of the university and chairman of the board. We found the spiritual tone of the school very high, found it doing a wonderful work in the training of the hand as well as the mind and heart.

There are over a score of departments of vocational specialization including the university's 5,000 watt radio station, a machine shop, airport and aviation division, electrical department, farm and dairy, engineering laboratory, welding shop, garage, etc. Several new buildings are proposed. The great Cathedral of the Ozarks, the largest building on the campus, is to be completed, God willing, for the fall. The university expects an enrollment of about 600 this fall.

Wheaton College
Wheaton College, at Wheaton,

Book Club Members-- Notice!

By the Editor

Be sure to see the full page of announcement about the Sword Book Club in this issue. The book selected by the judges this month is the editor's new book, "God's Cure for Anxious Care." Without any vote by the editor the book received nearly twice as high rating as any other book, and that puts us in an embarrassing position. Some book club members may have this new book, "God's Cure for Anxious Care." If so, we suggest that you get one of the alternate selections, perhaps the two books on archaeology by Dr. J. A. Huffman. Remember that it takes both of the books to make one selection. The price is \$2.50 for both of them. They may

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Dr. Wm. E. Troup

Illinois, is a neighbor of THE SWORD OF THE LORD. Dr. V. Raymond Edman, president, is a member of the Sword Book Club group of judges. Wheaton College enrollment this fall will again be limited to 1500 full-time students. There are 125 faculty members. Students will include a fine number of foreign students. Planned for the immediate future are the Student Union with dining hall, a new library building, a science hall, etc.

The Dean of Students reports that the past year was one of the very best spiritually that the school has ever known. Some 600 attended the Mission Fellowship each week, and hundreds of students have offered themselves as foreign missionaries.

Bob Jones University

It was the editor's joy on Monday morning, August 9, with his family, to eat breakfast with Dr. and Mrs. Bob Jones, Sr., at the university dining hall, after the close of the great Conference on Evangelism at Lake Louise, Toccoa, Georgia. The university

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TOCCOA CONFERENCE BLESSINGS

Pastors and Christian Workers From Twenty-One States Blessed at Sword Conference on Evangelism at Lake Louise, Toccoa, Georgia, August 1-8.

By the Editor

It was not a "Bible conference," in any ordinary sense. Though there was a great deal of Bible teaching, more actual Scripture teaching than at most Bible conferences, the Sword of the Lord Conference on Evangelism at Lake Louise, Toccoa, Georgia, was a special conference on soul winning and revival. And it was not an evangelistic campaign. It is true that a good number of people were won to Christ. But this conference was intended to get people ready for revival. Here Christians came to be revived in heart, to learn to pray, to take time for God to deal with them about their problems, their sins, their failures. It was a time when Christians waited on God for cleansing and for the fullness of the Holy Spirit. It was a time of holy vacation, of recreation for both soul and body. It was a time of revival and of preparation and study for revival. The re-

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That Wonderful Name!

By REV. WILLIAM E. TROUP, D.D., Pastor
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"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

"Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this."—Isa. 9:6, 7.

Dear friends, I have read those two verses from Isaiah 9 as they are printed in the King James and American Versions of the Word of God. I have a strong conviction that the last half of verse six should read: "and His name shall be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, the Father of Eternity, the Prince of Peace," thus presenting four beautifully balanced phrases for which the Hebrew language is very famous. Those four significant phrases also set forth in a most unusual way a four-fold descriptive prophetic picture of the Lord Jesus Christ who came into this world seven hundred years later, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of a virgin.

The reason I think this verse may thus be translated is because the original Hebrew of the Old Testament had no punctuation marks whatever. All punctuation was added later by Hebrew scholars in order to clarify the meaning of the text. Therefore, instead of five names, I believe there are only four names, each with a qualifying adjective—"Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

Well, however this passage was originally written, I want you to think of the One who is described as Wonderful. I wish I had the

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Rahab's Red Rope

By EVANGELIST JAMES V. LAMB, Eldon, Mo.

"... And she bound the scarlet line in the window."
—Joshua 2:21.

God's grace is wonderful. His ways are past finding out. My soul is overwhelmed at the grace of God every time I read about or see the salvation of a sinner. The conversion of Rahab, the harlot, is no exception. Here was a woman who but for the grace of God, under the law was fit to be stoned to death, (Lev. 20:10) yet was justified by grace. Rahab, the harlot!—what a wonderful picture of a sinner saved by grace.

First, let us look for a moment at the Bible background about the story of Rahab and the scarlet line she bound in her window. Joshua and his army marched from victory to victory. They seemed invincible. Jericho, wicked old city of a thousand sins, was next on the list for destruction. But, before the actual attack Joshua sent two men to spy out the city. Just as they came into the city they were seen by the guards, and had to flee into the nearest house—the house of Rahab, the harlot, right on the wall. Rahab agreed to hide them, and quickly led them to the roof and hid them under some stalks of flax. When she answered the knock of the king's men at the door she told them, the spies had already fled and

urged them to pursue after them. Rahab then returned to the men on the roof, where one of the most interesting conversations of the Bible took place. She said to the men, "... I know that the Lord hath given you the land, and that your terror is fallen upon us, and that all the inhabitants of the land faint because of you. For we have heard how the Lord dried up the water of the Red sea for you, when ye came out of Egypt; and what ye did unto the two kings of the Amorites, that were on the other side Jordan, Sihon and Og, whom ye utterly destroyed. And as soon as we had heard these things, our hearts did melt, neither did there remain any more courage in any man, because of you: for the Lord your God, he is God in heaven above, and in earth beneath. Now therefore, I pray you, swear unto

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Evangelist James V. Lamb

"I HAVE NEVER SEEN A GREAT REVIVAL"

By WALTER E. HANDFORD
Circulation Manager

I have never seen a great revival! No, for I am just one of a whole generation of young people that has grown up without seeing a mighty moving of God on His people. My heart burned as I read "The Autobiography of Charles G. Finney"

which tells of the deep conviction and mighty power which attended Finney's preaching. I have devoured all the books about Moody on which I could lay my hands. The accounts of the great waves of revival power which followed him all over our country and England have thrilled my soul. Tears rolled down my cheeks as I read

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"Rejoice in the Lord"

"Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you, to me indeed is not grievous, but for you it is safe."—Phil. 3:1.

"Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven."—Luke 10:20.

By the Editor

(Devotional thoughts at morning prayer meeting of Sword workers, Wednesday morning, October 9, 1946. Mechanically recorded.)

Rejoice in the Lord! One who is saved ought to be happy all the time. There are several Bible reasons. The first is:

Rejoice Because of Name Written in Heaven

In the tenth chapter of Luke, Jesus said to the crowd that came back rejoicing because devils were subject to them: "Rejoice not that the devils are subject to you. You cast out the devils and that is fine; but you have more than that to be happy about. Rejoice because your names are written in Heaven." We ought to rejoice because our names are written in Heaven.

Suppose you were a stranger somewhere and everybody felt sorry for you because you were poor; maybe they looked down on you—but you knew that you had a wonderful home and a great inheritance. You knew you were

much better off than they were. Wouldn't that be a good thing? Well, so it is in this matter. The Lord says that we are to rejoice that our names are written in Heaven. I am not as poor as you think I am. I have a wonderful Father; I have a mansion; I have a robe and a crown, and—as the negro spiritual says—"I got shoes." We have a wonderful inheritance in the Lord. The Scripture says, "Rejoice, because your names are written in heaven." That is one of the first things to be happy about.

I wonder: have you been a Christian too long—too long to enjoy your salvation? It is a good thing to see new converts who say, "Oh, thank God, He saved me! I remember the day when Jesus forgave me and saved me!" and

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Rahab's Red Rope

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me by the Lord, since I have shewed you kindness, that ye will also shew kindness unto my father's house, and give me a true token: And that ye will save alive my father, and my mother, and my brethren, and my sisters, and all that they have, and deliver our lives from death. And the men answered her, our life for your's, if ye utter not this our business. And it shall be, when the Lord hath given us the land, that we will deal kindly and truly with thee. Then she let them down by a cord through the window: for her house was upon the town wall, and she dwelt upon the wall. . . . Behold, when we come unto the land, thou shalt bind this line of scarlet thread in the window which thou didst let us down by: and thou shalt bring thy father, and thy mother, and thy brethren, and all thy father's household, home unto thee. . . . And she said, According unto your words, so be it. And she sent them away, and they departed: and she bound the scarlet line in the window. (Joshua 2:9-15, 18, 21).

Think of it, this woman, a heathen who worshiped many gods, and a wicked harlot, told the spies, "I know that the Lord hath given you the land, and that your terror is fallen upon us. . . . We have heard how the Lord dried up the water of the Red Sea for you, when ye came out of Egypt." She acknowledged the one Lord, Jehovah God! A miracle that had happened forty years past was now convicting this woman of her sin.

Farther on, in the sixth chapter of Joshua, it is written that the walls of Jericho fell, but Rahab's house was spared and all who were in it.

The Bible doesn't say but I imagine on the day of destruction things went on just about as usual. Perhaps early that fatal morning the women of the city rose early and with their tall clay water pots went down to the great spring to fill them with the cool clear water from the Judean

mountains. "That man" (a man called Joshua) and "his army" was the topic of whispered conversation. "It is the sixth day." "No, don't you remember its the seventh day since the gates have been closed."

The old women as usual took their little bundles of food that fateful day to sell in the market square; a few figs, some grapes and sugar cane, a basket of barley and wheat or millet made up the things to be sold. The narrow streets were crowded—business must go on as usual. But business was going to stop! People were busy, but they were too busy. Destruction was coming.

Even on this last day, the huge baths were filled with people. The dry, hot Jordan Valley attracted large crowds. Gay parties, sin of every sort, lewdness and drinking characterized this "resort village" resting in the valley in sight of old Mt. Nebo just ninety miles from Jerusalem.

Rahab wasn't playing this day. She was out "getting in" her loved ones. She must get them in.

"Hey lady," a little boy called to Rahab as she hurried by. "Hey lady, that man and his army are not just marching around once today, this is the sixth time." Rahab reached the house. The city began to shake and tremble. Shouts, curses and screams could be heard as the walls fell down flat. Houses fell, clouds of dust and smoke arose from the destroyed city. Everyone perished—except Rahab and those in her house. All that was left of the old city (and it is the same today), was a series of mounds the largest being 200 feet long and 50 feet high. God's destruction was complete!

For seven days the Children of Israel had marched around the walls once a day. God's wrath is often slow in coming; He is long suffering not willing that any should perish. God's voice seemed to be saying then to the city of Jericho, even as it does today, "Throw open your gates and let Christ in. Repent! The day of wrath and destruction is coming." What a scene that was! The seven priests, with seven trumpets of rams' horns before the Ark of the Covenant, marching around the wall seven times on the seventh day. Seven! Seven! God's wrath had reached perfection; the number seven is the number of perfection. God's wrath was filled full. The trumpet blew. A great shout went up from the people, then the walls fell. Those in Rahab's house were saved alive—she had received the spies and had thrown out the "scarlet line" from her window. When the wrath of God falls, only those who are under the blood are safe and sure of deliverance.

Four great spiritual lessons stand out from this passage. Four things that give a picture of salvation from sin.

The Condemned City

The first thing I notice in our



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passage is, THE CONDEMNED CITY. Jericho was sure of destruction. In this it pictures the world and the sinner headed for condemnation and destruction. This old wicked earth is headed for destruction even faster than Jericho, because it has rejected Christ. God's armies are coming from heaven someday to take vengeance on the world that knows not God. God's clock is set! Just as the city of Jericho was sure of destruction, so is the sinner sure of destruction. The one outside of Christ is under God's wrath now, sure of God's wrath already. "He that believeth on Him is not condemned; but he that believeth not is condemned ALREADY, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God." (John 3:18). You are not going to be lost, sinner friend, you are lost "already". Just as Jericho was condemned and sure of wrath, and all those outside of Rahab's house with the scarlet line were sure of death, so today all those outside Christ are under God's wrath. Notice again in the Gospel of John, "He that believeth on the son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him." (John 3:36). God's wrath abides, rests now, on the sinner. Notice that the word "abideth" appears in the present tense; the wrath of God is upon him right now. He is condemned already. People are not lost or saved at death only, they are either lost or saved now.

Paul preaching at Athens said, ". . . now God commandeth all men everywhere to repent; because He hath APPOINTED A DAY, in which He will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom He hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead." (Acts 17:30-31). God's Clock of Judgment is set—"He hath appointed a day." His standard of judgment, His standard of measurement will be ". . . in righteousness by that man whom He hath ordained. . . ." In other words you must have Christ's righteousness, which is given to you as a free gift, or you will be cast into the lake of fire. The books will be opened at God's Great White Throne. (Rev. 21:11-15). If your name is not found written in the Lamb's Book of Life you will be cast into the Lake of Fire. Only unsaved people will stand at the Great White Throne at God's appointed time to hear the awful sentence of eternity in hell. Oh, sinner why will you die? Flee from God's wrath that already abides on you.

"Oh, turn ye, oh, turn ye,
For why will ye die
When God in great mercy
Is drawing so nigh?
Now Jesus invites you,
The spirit says, Come!
And angels are waiting
To welcome you home.

"How vain the delusion
That while you delay
Your heart may grow better
By staying away,
Come wretched, come starving,
Come just as you be
While streams of salvation
Are flowing so free."

Be saved now by receiving Christ into your heart and you will be able to say, "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death." (Romans 8:1-2). The day of grace passed for Jericho. God gave warning. God warned Sodom and Gomorrah; the destruction finally came. God warned the old world through Noah for one hundred and twenty years; God's wrath came, the day of Grace passed.

When Jericho was destroyed, Rahab and her household were safe on the wall of the doomed city. The part of the wall on which her house stood could not fall because God's judgments can never touch the one who is sheltered in the Rock of Ages. In Christ, there is now no condemnation.

"Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee;

Let the water and the blood
From Thy wounded side which
flowed,
Be of sin the double cure
Save from wrath and make
me pure."

The Conviction of Rahab

The next spiritual and practical truth that comes from this story is the CONVICTION OF RAHAB.

Rahab said, ". . . I know that the Lord hath given you the land, and that your terror is fallen upon us, and that all the inhabitants of the land faint because of you. . . . And as soon as we heard these things, our hearts did melt, neither did there remain any more courage in any man, because of you: for the Lord your God, he is God in heaven above, and in earth beneath." (Joshua 2:9, 11).

Here is conviction for sin, when Rahab said; ". . . your terror is fallen upon us. . . ." ". . . all the inhabitants of the land faint because of you. . . ." and "our hearts did melt, neither did there remain any more courage in any man. . . ." Rahab saw and realized she was a lost, wicked, and fallen woman, deserving condemnation for her sins along with the others of Jericho. Rahab was convicted of her sins!

There is not much deep conviction for sin seen these days. Not much crying out, "What must I do to be saved", as the Philippian jailer did when he fell at the apostle's feet under conviction. Not much conviction is seen as in Finney's day when people fell from their seats under the convicting power of the Holy Ghost. Our prayer should be, Oh! Lord send the old time deep conviction for sin again; the kind Paul talked about when he said, "For though I made you sorry with a letter, I do not repent, though I did repent: for I perceive that the same epistle hath made you sorry, though it were but for a season. Now I rejoice, not that ye were made sorry, but that ye sorrowed to repentance: for ye were made sorry after a godly manner, that ye might receive damage by us in nothing. For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death (II Corinthians 7:8-10).

Godly sorrow for sin is the need today. The fear of the Lord that is the beginning of wisdom is the major shortage in most groups of Christians, with the overproduction of sentimental senility they attribute to God Almighty. God isn't a doting old granddaddy! He has been sinned against. Conviction and Repentance is needed. It's terrible to be lost. "For we know him that hath said, vengeance belongeth unto me, I will recompense, saith the Lord. And again, The Lord shall judge his people. It is a fearful thing to fall unto the hands of the living God." (Heb. 10:30-31). Rahab realized this; also the Philippian jailer; so too did Saul of Tarsus on the Damascus Road, as well as the multitudes of others who have heard the Word of Truth and felt the Sword of the Spirit reproving, ". . . the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: Of sin, because they believe not on me; Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more; Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged." (John 16:8-11).

In recent revival services a lady felt a burden for a neighbor lady longing to win her to Christ. After prayer and study of several passages of scripture dealing with the lost, she went to her lost friend's home and led the woman to a glorious decision for Christ. That night at the revival the lady came forward with her friend. What a time of rejoicing it was! The woman who had just been saved had brought her unsaved husband to the services. He was under conviction, but did not surrender. He was so much under conviction that he felt his wife had been pushed into her decision and he went away angry. Next day he left home without breakfast, resentful and hardened. He said to a neighbor, "I don't know what's wrong with me. I never felt this way before. They have separated my wife and me." Later I met him on the street downtown and asked him

to accept Christ. He said he would not accept Him as Saviour. I told him he acted like a man under conviction, and in order to get peace he must receive Christ. He could have been saved right then, but he was rebellious. The meeting closed and we left with the man so much under conviction that he could eat or sleep but very little. We left with a heavy burden for him, but the good news soon reached us that he had been saved and was going to be baptized with his wife. How happy he and his wife are in their Christian life. The pastor said both he and his wife are making wonderful workers and are growing in grace. He didn't need to wait, neither do you! Rahab didn't wait when she saw the grace of God she was saved.

Amazing grace! how sweet
the sound,
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am
found,
'Twas grace that taught my
heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace
appear
The hour I first believed!

The Conversion of Rahab

When Rahab realized she was CONDEMNED she was CONVICTED so she surrendered, by faith, and was CONVERTED. THE CONVERSION OF RAHAB is one of the most outstanding of

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the Bible. How was she saved? She was saved by faith like everyone else who was ever saved. This wicked harlot, worshiper of many heathen gods, said, "... for the Lord your God, he is God in heaven above, and in earth beneath. Now therefore, I pray you, swear unto me by the Lord, since I have showed you kindness, that ye will also shew kindness unto my father's house..." (Joshua 2:11-12). Rahab took her stand with God's people. It was a clear cut break, for her, with Jericho. A tremendous decision she made. These two spies were enemies of the people of Jericho. Likewise every Christian is an enemy of the present "Jericho"—the world. Jesus said, "If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you. If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you." (John 15:18-19). Rahab believed God and embraced the promises. By her works she showed she had been saved by grace. As James said, "Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only. Likewise also was not Rahab the harlot justified by works, when she had received the messengers, and had sent them out another way? For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also." (James 2:24-26).

Rahab showed by her changed life, by her daily living, by her works that she had been justified. We often quote Ephesians two, verses eight and nine, and leave out verse ten. Verse ten is just as important as the others. Verse ten is rarely quoted, rarely emphasized, but it is needed desperately in this day of loose living, lazy believers. Notice the passage, "For by grace

are ye saved through faith and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast." Now notice the verse not often quoted, "For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them" (Eph. 2:8-10). A man is not justified by works, but a justified man will work. Faith that is real, living and vital will be, "unto good works." In our emphasis on grace, and it rightly should be emphasized, we need to urge too with Paul, "I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works..." (Tit. 3:8a).

Paul says we are to "affirm constantly" that saved people ought to "maintain good works." Christians ought to and will live differently from the crowd of "Jericho." Believers are to be a "peculiar people" a changed and consecrated people.

Paul in telling of the conversion of the Thessalonians said of them, "... ye turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God; and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, even Jesus, which delivered us from the wrath to come." (I Thessalonians 1:9-10).

There must be a "turning from" and a "turning to" in conversion.

When Zacchaeus was converted he made a clean break with his old life. He even said, "... Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken anything from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold." (Luke 19:8-9). There is no place for idols in the Christian's life. We have been redeemed. We have seen the Saviour. We must say with the poet,

"Tis the look that melted Peter,
Tis the face that Stephen saw,
Tis the heart that wept with Mary,
Can alone from idols draw.
Draw and even fill completely
Till the cup o'er flows the brim
What have we to do with idols?
Who have companied with Him?

Rahab was saved by faith and was named with the faithful. Paul said in Hebrews 11:31, "By faith the harlot Rahab perished not with them that believed not,

when she received the spies with peace."

Everyone in Rahab's house was saved alive. Before the children of Israel came, before God's wrath fell she was busy getting her friends and loved ones into her house. Are you concerned about those who are lost? If you knew that your town or city were sure for destruction, and everyone you brought into your house would be spared you would get them in. You would go out into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in. Why don't you get your friends and loved ones into the Ark of Safety then? God's wrath is coming! Get them in.

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matriculated last year over 2,700 students. Dr. Bob Jones, Jr., reports that they are making an earnest effort to provide room for 200 more his year. Last year 800 ministerial students were enrolled in the university, and there are some 500 missionary volunteers. In the great Conference on Evangelism at Bob Jones University following commencement, the 800 ministerial students remained. This summer every one of these ministerial students is pledged to talk to at least one soul each day about Christ and to report the conversation and the result; to preach at least one new sermon each week and to send in the outline and report the results of the service. Since Bob Jones University requires 130 college semester hours for graduation instead of the 120 hours usually required, they can give some credit for attendance at the Conference on Evangelism and detailed report on each message, and for the summer's work and careful, detailed reports. Already these ministerial students in their weekly reports to Bob Jones University have told of more than 10,000 people won to Christ this summer. Dr. Bob Jones, Jr., is in Europe with Youth for Christ International. Dr. Bob Jones, Sr., is considering accepting invitations for speaking in principal cities in China and in England this winter.

Moody Bible Institute

An enrollment of nearly 900 students is expected at Moody Bible Institute of Chicago this fall, President William "Culbertson" has announced. Of these, 200 will be new students.

Headed by a faculty of 52, this student body will receive tuition-free training for Christian leadership. To meet the demands of the various fields, the Institute offers many major courses of study. Men looking forward to the pastorate may select the Pastors course, just as future missionaries may register for the Missionary or Jewish Missions course. General Bible, Christian Education and Music also are offered.

Recently a Missionary Technical Training course, an intensive program of instruction in communications, photography, and aviation, has been added to the curriculum. Work in aviation is accredited by the Civil Aeronautics Authority toward a C.A.A. Airman's Certificate with Private Pilot Rating. Classwork includes ground school, covering theory of flight, meteorology, and navigation in their specialized phases relating to individual mission fields; practical use of present-day aircraft; special maintenance

problems in various climates; current trends in aircraft development; and civil air regulations at home and abroad. Fifty hours of flight, under the supervision of a rated flight instructor, includes dual instruction, solo flight, and cross-country navigation.

Moody Bible Institute is housed in 26 buildings, grouped around the original building at 153 Institute Place. Twelve-story Crowell Hall contains the studios of stations WMBI and WMBI-FM, classrooms, library, and business offices. Torrey-Grey auditorium, dormitories, Sweet Shop, Music Building, Bookstore, and the Guild House for women complete the group. The most recent construction at the school has been the addition of 2,140 square feet of floor space on the ninth floor of Crowell Hall. This will house the offices of the Correspondence School and will be open for use in the fall.

Founded in 1886 by Dwight L. Moody, the Institute has graduated more than 50,000 students in the last 62 years. The school, with its emphasis on practical Christian work in the city of Chicago and vicinity, has been the training ground for pastors, pastors' assistants, Bible teachers, evangelists, gospel singers, directors of Christian education, and nearly 3,500 home and foreign missionaries.

Throughout the years, the school has been thoroughly conservative and Christocentric in its theology and interdenominational in its policies. The 1947-48 student body, coming from 44 states and 15 foreign countries, represented 65 denominations.

MOODY MONTHLY, a religious periodical with a paid circulation of 75,000, has its offices in Crowell Hall. The school also has an extension department that directs conferences and evangelistic campaigns, a book publishing department, and a colportage division that distributes free Christian literature throughout the country.

The Bible Institute of Los Angeles

The Bible Institute of Los Angeles, Dr. Louis T. Talbot, president, where the famous evangelist, Dr. R. A. Torrey did such a marvelous work, expects an enrollment of 900 students this fall, with a faculty of between 35 and 40. Dr. Charles L. Feinberg, formerly of Dallas Theological Seminary, Dr. Wallace Emerson, former Dean of Men at Wheaton College and Mr. Walter Wessel of the Inter-Varsity Fellowship, will be added to the faculty. The school reports a very deep spiritual life among the students, and some students report a blessed revival during the past year. The school of Missionary Medicine, started at the Bible Institute three years ago, is rapidly developing into the outstanding school of its kind, offering a year of graduate studies. The school is closely correlated with the hospital where students observe and practice all the phases of missionary medicine—obstetrical, surgical and medical.

Northwestern Schools

The Northwestern Schools, including the Bible school, college of liberal arts and theological seminary, was founded by Dr. W. B. Riley, who for 45 years was president of the schools. The Bible School began in 1902, a seminary was added in 1935, and a college of liberal arts in 1943. Dr. Billy Graham is the interim president. The new slogan for the schools adopted by President Graham is, "knowledge on fire." The following facts are of interest:

1. Student body.

From nearly every state in the United States, and from several foreign countries, between 1,000 and 1,200 students will come to study at Northwestern this Fall.

2. Faculty.

Northwestern's faculty numbers more than 35, with several outstanding additions having recently been made. Among these are Dr. O. E. Sanden, Dean of the College (Continued on Page 4)

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of Liberal Arts; Dr. Harry Stam, Chairman of the Missions Department; Mark W. Lee, Chairman of the Speech Department; Louis Berks, Chairman of Old Testament Studies; T. J. Wehling, Jr., Chairman of the Athletic Department, and others.

3. Buildings.

For the fall term we will be moving into our new administration and classroom building which will be completed just in time for the fall term. This building will include one million cubic feet of the most modern facilities, classrooms, offices, gymnasium, auditorium and cafeteria. It adjoins our girls dormitories and is connected with them by a tunnel.

4. Spiritual Life.

The spiritual life of the student body and faculty of the Northwestern Schools has remained through the years as our most precious experience. With daily chapel services, daily missionary prayer circles, regular student prayer fellowships and a definite emphasis on things spiritual in the classroom, the years at Northwestern are full of blessing for all who attend.

5. Other News.

Within a few weeks it is expected that announcement of the opening of Northwestern's two new gospel radio stations will be made. Both A.M. and F.M. at desirable frequencies, the stations will operate on a non-commercial basis, with licenses already granted by the Federal Communications Commission.

National Bible Institute

Dr. J. Oliver Buswell, Jr., who did such a remarkable work in building Wheaton College enrollment and property, is the vigorous president of The National Bible Institute in New York City. He writes that "the big news at The National Bible Institute is that we expect to be able to grant a B.A. degree in the near future, and in the meantime our B.B.E. and Th.B. curricula are fully accredited." Thank God for this Christian college program in the heart of New York City. May God multiply it wonderfully!

Taylor University

Taylor University, Upland, Indiana, expects a fall enrollment of 525 students, with 37 faculty members. Dr. A. Leland Forrest is the new dean, and a number of other additions to the faculty are announced. A new science hall housing biology, physics, and zoology laboratories and classrooms will be dedicated September 24. Construction is under way on a new shop, and a new men's dormitory will be erected later this year.

Homecoming Day will be September 24, and it will feature an address by Dr. V. Raymond Edman, president of Wheaton College.

Mr. Sherman W. Spear, Assistant Director of the Department of Public Relations, writes: "Our beliefs and practices may be

summed up as follows:

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Fuller Evangelistic Seminary

Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, California, will begin its second year of divinity studies on September 20, with an enrollment of more than 100 graduates of accredited colleges and universities.

The faculty includes: Dr. Gleason L. Archer, acting dean and professor of Old Testament; Dr. Edward John Carnell, associate professor of Systematic Theology; Dr. Arnold Ehlert, librarian; Dr. Everett Harrison, professor of New Testament; Dr. Carl F. H. Henry, professor of Philosophy of Religion; Dr. Harold Lindsell, professor of Missions; Dr. Herbert Mekeel, visiting professor of Church History and Homiletics; and Dr. Wilbur M. Smith, professor of Apologetics. Dr. Harold John Ockenga is president-in-absentia.

The school has acquired an attractive court to provide additional quarters for married students. The students represent men with a vigorous Christian testimony, a high academic standing, and an undoubted call to the ministry. Many of them are candidates for the foreign field. Faculty action has limited the student body to 50 persons in each incoming class. Already more than 30 applications have been received for the fall of 1949.

King's College

King's College of New Castle, Delaware, expects approximately 300 students this fall, who will be taught by a faculty of 35 members. Mr. William Jelley, Executive Vice President, writes: "We are presently completing a new dining room which will be finished for the fall term, and also a group of apartments for our faculty members. We have under way a drive to obtain funds for a gymnasium, and during the past three months in which the drive has been in progress, approximately 25% of the amount required has been subscribed. The spiritual emphasis on the campus is along the line of evangelism and is under the directorship of our president, Percy B. Crawford."

Gordon College of Theology

Gordon College of Theology was founded in 1889 by A. J. Gordon, then pastor of Clarendon Street Baptist Church. Dr. A. T. Pierson, Dr. James M. Gray, and Dr. G. Campbell Morgan have taught in Gordon College. Dr. T. Leonard Lewis became president in 1944. Then the school had three build-

ings. Now there are two separate schools, the college and the divinity school, with seven buildings. The budget this year will exceed \$275,000.00. More than 500 students are expected in the two divisions, with more than 40 faculty members.

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Rahab the harlot became the mother of Boaz, who was the father of Jesse, who was the father of David. Rahab was in the lineage from Adam to Christ. The scarlet cord proclaimed that through the Blood of Christ the sinner can be made as white as snow. "Though your sins be as scarlet they shall be made as white as snow," through the blood of Christ.

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who keep on rejoicing. Isn't it a pity for anyone to get so old that he forgets he was ever spiritually young? It is pretty bad for old people to get to where they do not remember they were ever young, that they ever had a good time, that they ever talked above an ordinary tone of voice. It's pretty bad for them to get to where they have no patience with youth's exuberance, isn't it? But what about a Christian who gets so old-fogy that he does not remember the joy of his early salvation? Christians ought to rejoice because their names are written in Heaven. "Rejoice!" Jesus said.

Rejoice in Hope for the Glorious Future

I call your attention to another verse of Scripture over in Romans 12, verse 12. The Lord tells us there that we are to be "rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer." We should rejoice in hope. Listen, it would not be a bad idea for you to sit down once in a while and dream, sit down once in a while and imagine what it is going to be like when you see the Saviour and your home in Heaven and your loved ones, and when you receive your rewards. Rejoice, for there is a good time coming after a while! Get your mind set on that. Do not think just about next summer, Eloise, [to a girl whose wedding was planned for the next summer], but on farther than that! Rejoice about the glorious things that God has laid up for you. The Bible says, "Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him. But God hath revealed them unto us by His Spirit" (I Cor. 2:9, 10). Well, I would talk to the Holy Spirit about it and say, "Lord, let me look forward to Heaven; let me look forward to the time when I will see every knee bow before the Saviour and hear every tongue confess to Him

His glory, when wickedness is put down at last, and when there is no more sorrow, nor death, nor pain, nor sighing, and God shall wipe away all tears from our eyes." It is a foolish thing for a Christian to have such a wonderful hope and then not be happy, don't you think so? We are to be, the Bible says, rejoicing in hope—rejoicing in hope!

Glory in Tribulation

Here is another thing: The Scripture says that we are to glory in tribulation. Over in Romans, chapter 5, the Scripture says that we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement (that is, we are happy about the atonement), but it says too, "Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: by whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience; And patience, experience; and experience, hope." The Bible says we ought to glory in tribulation. It is strange that people do not do it. If you have a hard time, say, "Lord, thank You for putting me through this school. Lord, I know You're going to make something good out of this." Are you a believer or an infidel? Well, doesn't the Bible say "all things work together for good to them that love God"? (Rom. 8:28). The Lord is making up His batch of biscuits, and when they come out of the oven they will all be good. Maybe you do not like flour; maybe the lard does not taste good. Never mind. You wait until they are worked together good, and they will make biscuits. The Lord is making good things for you, and you ought to say, "Lord, thank You for all this good trouble. Thank You for this good chastisement. You are giving me. You are doing it to keep me from doing wrong and to remind me to do right."

We ought to rejoice in tribulation, glory in tribulation!

What kind of a Christian are you—a fair-weather Christian? We all more or less despise fair-weather friends, friends who are our friends when everybody else is our friend; but when someone else is against us, they are against us, too. You would be surprised how much of the world is like that. Are you that kind of a Christian? You can surely rejoice in the Lord when everything is gay and the world goes by like a song. When you are sailing downstream and colors are flying, that is fine. But when it is hard rowing upstream, you can't rejoice. You are a strange Christian, aren't you?

The Bible teaches here that we are to glory in tribulation. We are to thank God for tribulation. Somebody may bemean you. You should say, "All right, Jesus was bemeaned, now I'm just that much more like Him." Make sure that you are not bemeaned for your own devilment, your own sin; but rejoice if you suffer some for Jesus. Rejoice if you are poor. If you are poor you can say, "I feel more like Paul now." Paul was poor and was buffeted. He fasted often. He said he did not have enough to eat. He wrote a letter to Timothy and said, "Winter is coming on, please be sure to bring my coat. It is a little chilly in this old, damp dungeon, in this basement prison here. Bring my cloak along." If you have some trouble, you can say, "Well, praise the Lord! I'm like the saints of God." If someone talks about you, you can say, "Well, this isn't as bad as Latimer and Ridley suffered, who burned at the stake; but it is a little bit for Jesus." We are to rejoice in tribulation, glory in tribulation.

Glory in Infirmities!

And the last word I would say is that we are to rejoice in infirmities. In II Corinthians 12, beginning with verse 9 Paul says, "Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me." Steve can say, "Well, praise the Lord, I don't have enough sense. If I ever amount to anything it surely will be because a wonderful Saviour takes care of a fellow like me!" Isn't that something to praise the Lord about?

Paul said, 'I've got a thorn in the flesh. Lord, remove it.' 'No, Paul,' the Lord said, 'you think you would be better off without any thorn in the flesh, but you wouldn't. You'd be better off to be weak and let Me be strong.'

'All right,' Paul says, 'I'll praise You that I'm the weak one and You are the strong One. We make a better team that way.' So let's say, "Praise the Lord that I am dumb. Praise the Lord that I have to struggle for an education. Praise the Lord that I have some quirks so the Lord will have to get the glory. If I submit to Him, it will all come out better for me to be weak and God to be strong." "Which would you rather, Miss Fairy, to have a weak Saviour and you be so strong and have to help Him out, or you be weak and let Him help you out?" Paul said, "Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities." People usually glory because they have a good muscular body or because they have a quick mind, or have a nice home, or have money. No, no! Glory when you are poor; glory when you are weak; glory when you are insufficient; glory when you are in ill health. Paul says, 'I'll glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.' It would be better for you to be dumb and to have the power of God than for you to be so smart

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power this evening to tell you how wonderful He is.

This is a wonderful world in which we live. Put some of God's snowflakes or a tiny flower under the microscope, sweep the sky with the telescope, or think of your own body or any one of its members and see some of the wonderful things that our wonderful God has made. But all of these things pale into absolute insignificance before the One about whom Isaiah said: "His name shall be called Wonderful."

As we are almost on the eve of Christmas, I want you to take a look at Him who is called Wonderful.

Eye to See

First of all, He has a wonderful eye to see us. In the dome of the Capitol in Washington, D. C., is a significant picture. The central figure is George Washington, and looking down upon every visitor who enters that great building are the eyes of the father of our country. In like manner, "The eyes of the Lord are in every place, beholding the evil and the good."

When I was a boy in school, it seemed that almost all of the teachers who were hired to teach the schools that I attended had eyes in the back of their heads and always beheld all the evil that was done in the school room; but of the Lord it is said that His eyes behold every thing, everywhere.

These are the eyes of the One who bled and died to save us, therefore they are the eyes of love. They are sympathetic eyes. Their look imparts strength and courage, "for the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show Himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward Him."

Ear to Hear

Secondly, He has a wonderful ear to hear us. Grecian history tells us about the ear of Dionysus.

that the Lord would say, "Go to it, old boy, if you can get anywhere. I am not going with you."

Rejoice in the Lord today. I want your heart to be happy in the Lord today. "This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it" (Psa. 118:24). Every day is a good day for a Christian. You can rejoice in God today.

I learned a lesson when I was a boy. I said, "What a bad day yesterday was! It rained and was awfully cold."

"No, no," a fine country doctor said, "it was just a good wet day. There are not any bad days. There are good wet days, good dry days, good warm days and good cold days; but there aren't any bad days. God made them all." Aren't you satisfied with the kind of day your Heavenly Father can send you? Don't you think He knows better about that than you do? Let us rejoice in the Lord!

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This cruel monarch constructed a huge tunnel 250 feet long and 80 feet high between the palace and the prison. The tunnel was an exact model of the human ear and made a perfect whispering gallery. Dionysus spent much of his time sitting in his chair at the palace entrance of this whispering gallery listening to prisoners as they cursed their king and plotted his overthrow. Then he would order these men brought before him and cruelly put to death.

God sees all that we do and hears all that we say. Even the thoughts of our minds are not hidden from Him. However, His "listening in" is not that He may overhear the evil that He may wreak vengeance upon us. He is greatly concerned about our welfare. He listens with a yearning ear. Our iniquity and our sins grieve Him. He wants to help, therefore His ears are open to our faintest cry. He hears the (Continued on Page 6)



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There are other good Christian schools which we wrote for information but did not receive it in time for this issue.

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Toccoa Conference Blessings

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sults were glorious, tremendous. First of all, it was glorious for so many Christian workers to get together. Most of those attending were ministers and their families. They came from twenty-one states, or more. They were from Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Missouri, Arkansas, Kansas, Iowa, Wyoming, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Mississippi, Alabama and Tennessee, coming especially for this conference. They came with burdens, came with holy anticipation, came with a determination to be blessed and to draw near to God and receive His power. They came to learn to pray, to learn to be filled with the Holy Spirit, to learn how to win souls, to learn how to have a revival. And the Lord most graciously, wonderfully blessed us.

The speakers were wonderfully blessed of God. Dr. Joe Henry Hankins, Evangelist Bill Rice, Evangelist Rolfe Barnard, Dr. Bob Jones, Sr., Evangelist Del Fehsenfeld, Evangelist James V. Lamb, and this editor all felt the power of God upon us. I have never known a deeper interest in the studies on prayer which I gave. Almost every hour was a time of heart-searching, of tears, of breathless attention. God seemed to guide the speakers to meet the needs of those present.

There was much prayer at the conference. Each morning at 7:00 o'clock a big room was crowded

with those who came to pray, and the crowd grew from about fifteen the first morning to fifty or more before breakfast. One prayer meeting after the evening service lasted until 12:30 a.m. Godly preachers had brought their burdens to the conference. They prayed for revival in their own churches, for the power of God in their own ministries. A surprisingly large number made confession either to the crowd, or on their knees, to God, of their own powerlessness, the waning power in their ministries, their lack of the fullness of the Holy Spirit. One missionary said simply, "My wife and I gave up other plans to come here. We feel we cannot go on with our great responsibilities among French Catholics in Louisiana without a miracle from God in our lives." On his knees this earnest man of God prayed, "Lord, kill me before I ever depart unprepared for the work You have given me to do!" One pastor prayed, "Lord, in the last year I have not won souls as I once did. Thou knowest the coldness of my heart. Lord, Thou knowest the man who is angry with me and I am angry with him. I am going home to apologize!" Many came with genuine burdens for lost loved ones and prayed until they had assurance that God would help them to win the ones they loved.

Two people came to the grounds along with their families, unsaved; and both found Christ. Two young men surrendered to preach.

Scores told what a blessing THE

SWORD OF THE LORD had been to them. Evangelist Good of Indiana told how last year at the Sword Conference on Evangelism he had felt he must surrender to the work of evangelism and how during this year he had taken the hand of thirteen hundred people who came forward to claim Christ as Saviour in his meetings and that he had preached to crowds up to two thousand. He told of many answers to prayer and thanked God for the help he had gotten in THE SWORD OF THE LORD and the Sword Conferences on Evangelism.

Three different groups were at the conference simply because someone had sent them sample copies of THE SWORD OF THE LORD and they had seen the announcements.

One preacher who had just recently quit the ministry, discouraged and defeated, told how he had never won over fifty souls in his whole life, although he had been out of college and seminary five years and had had good opportunities. He got victory in his own life after much prayer. One morning he came to the clear-cut decision that he must give up all other work and go back into the ministry at any cost. Then he opened a letter from his wife enclosing an invitation from a church which wanted him to come and preach as a prospective pastor!

Beautiful Facilities at Lake Louise

Lake Louise Conference Grounds is about five miles from Toccoa, Georgia, in the beautiful wooded hills. The conference hotel nestles beside the beautiful lake amid the pine trees. The property is an investment of three quarters of a million dollars made by the godly layman, R. G. LeTourneau. The modern hotel is built of welded steel. The auditorium is covered by a giant dome, with a 110 foot diameter. And the auditorium seats sixteen hundred with marvelous acoustical properties. There are six wings branching out from the large auditorium, containing the air conditioned bedrooms and the dining hall and kitchen. Several other buildings near by provide additional rooms. There is a tennis court. There are boats on the lake for boating and fishing. There is plenty of room for softball and volleyball. The speakers and guests were remarkably well pleased with this beautiful scenic resort as a place for Christians to meet for study and prayer and rest and teaching and vacation. The crowd unanimously voted to come back next year, and we have gladly made agreement with the conference officials. Next year the Sword of the Lord Conference at Lake Louise will be Monday night through Sunday, July 11-17, 1949.

More Great Conferences on Revival and Soul-Winning Coming!

Dr. Bob Jones said, "I believe that this week will do more good and result in more souls saved than a great extended city-wide revival." And I think that all those present agreed. I expect to hear wonderful stories of revivals wherever these men of God return from the Lake Louise Conference on Evangelism.

Here are plans for other conferences. I hope every reader of the SWORD OF THE LORD who possibly can will plan to attend some of them.

CHICAGO, NOVEMBER 21-28. Thanksgiving week THE SWORD OF THE LORD will put on a great Conference on Evangelism at the Chicago Gospel Tabernacle, Rev. Clarence Erickson, pastor. Among those already agreed to be on the program are Dr. Bob Jones; Dr. Joe Henry Hankins; Dr. Whitesell, professor of evangelism in Northern Baptist Seminary; Evangelist William H. Rice, three years an evangelist for Moody Bible Institute; Mr. Frank Sheriff, chairman of the Chicago Christian Business Men's Committee; Rev. Harry Saulnier, superintendent of the famed Pacific Garden Mission, Chicago; and the famous colored singer, Elbert Tindley, the son of Rev. Albert Tindley who wrote "Take Your Burden to the Lord and Leave it There" and many other great songs. Brother Tindley, like the others mentioned, has already agreed to come. We have invited Dr. Hyman Appelman to

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be bought separately, at \$1.25 each, but one of them alone will not count for credit toward a book club premium. We suggest that you buy both, if possible. Or you may want to buy the book, "Calvin's Commentary" which we recommend highly, particularly for preachers and students. But if you do not want either the first selection or any of the alternates, be sure to send in the rejection slip. Those who allow the book to come automatically will, of course, want to receive it and pay for it.

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take part on the program and feel sure he will do so, if he has not already promised the time elsewhere. He is to be back in the States from Australia on September 10. Other announcements will be made about this great Conference on Evangelism at the Chicago Gospel Tabernacle (formerly known as Paul Radar's Tabernacle) Chicago. The building seats 2800. We expect it to be over-run.

LAKE LOUISE, TOCCOA, GEORGIA, JULY 11-17, 1949, we go back to Lake Louise again and we expect to have fully twice as many people present, with a larger program.

CEDAR LAKE, INDIANA, THE SUMMER OF 1949. We cannot yet announce the date but we have a definite engagement with the management of the Cedar Lake Conference Grounds, forty miles south of Chicago, and will have a great conference there some time next July.

SILOAM SPRINGS, ARKANSAS, IN SUMMER OF 1949. We have not yet completed the plans. Announcement will be made later. But we plan definitely to go back to Siloam Springs with the co-operation of John Brown University and the Arkansas State Baptist Assembly.

Other Conferences on Evangelism are planned to be where the greatest soul winners in America will speak on soul winning, on revival preaching, on prayer, on the fullness of the Holy Spirit and how to have a revival, how to give the invitation, how to reach crowds, etc. Pray for these conferences and plan to attend.

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sigh of every saint. He notices the falling of every tear. He understands even the upward glance of faith and prayer. He observes the soul's sincere desire. Even as a mother immediately responds to the slightest stir of her child in the night, so the Lord is quick to hear the distress of His own dear children, and just as quick to come to their assistance.

Heart to Love

Thirdly, He has a wonderful heart to love us. Human love may run deep and linger long. It often manifests itself in kindness and sacrifice. The sleeplessness and watchfulness in times of sickness is evidence of a loving heart. The prayerful concern of parents over a child's waywardness is further evidence of human love. The soldier's willingness to endure privations and hardships in warfare, facing death itself for the honor of his country and the security of his loved ones is an exhibition of human love.

On February 4th, 1922, two nations held their breath as the great ice bridge in the lower Niagara broke from its moorings and hundreds of sight-seers scrambled for safety. All escaped but three, two of them husband and wife. Frantic efforts were made to rescue them. Three times the husband had an opportunity to escape with his life but three times he deliberately refused to leave his helpless wife. Together they went to their death in an embrace of love.

But the love of man for man is as nothing compared to the love of God for man. John 3:16. So far-reaching was Christ's love that He died not merely for His family, nor alone for His bosom friends, nor alone for his native land, but His love was so great that He died for strangers—yes, even for His enemies. "God commendeth His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."

Hand to Hold

Then, He has a wonderful hand to hold us. When that Niagara ice bridge gave way, one of the unfortunate sight-seers was a young man from Cleveland. He refused an opportunity to escape in order, if possible, to assist the Toronto man to rescue his wife. The icefloe, however, on which they were drifting, broke and he

was separated from them. Now he must look to his own safety. As he approached the cantilever bridge he saw the rope which the men two hundred feet above had lowered. Calmly he removed his overcoat and made ready. Then, judging his distance, he grasped the dangling end. The sag of the long rope dropped him to his waist into the icy waters and the great blocks of ice jammed his body frightfully. Nevertheless, he held fast. As the men above pulled, the young man himself began to climb hand over hand. Up he went, five, ten, twenty feet; still higher, forty, fifty feet. By this time his strength was failing and he hung limp. Presently he became utterly exhausted. His hands relaxed and he fell to a watery grave.

But God's hold on us is secure. For "the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save." Frequently, however, the bridge of pleasant prospects breaks and sets us adrift on floes of doubt, down the river of worldliness toward the whirlpool of despair. Then we grasp the rope of false hopes and make a desperate effort to save ourselves. But we soon discover that we are making a losing fight. We realize our own weakness and insufficiency. Then we surrender and sink at the foot of the cross in repentance. There the penetrating eyes of the crucified Christ behold us; there the keen ears of the Savior hear us. Then wonder of wonders! Our loving Lord reaches down with those everlasting arms, lifts us out of the horrible pit, sets our feet upon a rock, and establishes our way. This new experience puts a new song in our mouth, even praise unto our God.

Hallelujah! What a Saviour!

If I had the time this evening, I would like to go on to tell you that He has a wonderful Word to cheer us. Also that He has a wonderful Spirit to guide us. And, finally, He has gone to prepare a wonderful Home in which to receive us. In this life there is sin, sorrow, suffering, disappointments, broken hearts and broken homes; but over there, there will be no headaches and no heartaches, no sighing and no crying, no orphans and no warphans, no parting and no good-bys.

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Yesterday a young minister sent 204 subscriptions to THE SWORD OF THE LORD at \$1 each. He had previously sent about 90 subscriptions. All these people for whom he sent subscriptions were ministers, with one or two exceptions! He feels a burden to get out the gospel in print and to revive the hearts of God's appointed leaders, the ministers in the churches, the godly men who believe the Bible and long to win souls.

When this is written more than 8,400 subscriptions have been sent in to THE SWORD OF THE LORD in the present campaign. But we must have, as a very minimum, 15,000 subscriptions in this present subscription campaign. The campaign must close September 15. That means that many of you who have been waiting and planning must send in your subscriptions at once. We must send them in more rapidly than we have in the past to reach our goal. But I am sure that the readers of THE SWORD OF THE LORD will do it. With God's help you will send in many thousands of subscriptions at \$1 each so that ministers, Christian workers, shut-ins, new converts, and even lost people will receive THE SWORD OF THE LORD for 35 weeks each.

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"I Have Never Seen a Great Revival"

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Jonathan Goforth's great book, "By My Spirit." Oh, the thrill of the great Chinese and Korean Revivals which he was instrumental in bringing! My heart has been broken because I have never seen a revival like this. Many times I have cried out to God and said, "Lord, you haven't changed. You are the One who gave revivals to these men, and I believe you are still willing and eager to give the same kind of revival today if we meet your conditions." While we have revivals with hundreds saved, yet I have seen no great revivals like those of Finney, Moody and Torrey.

No, I have never seen a great revival, but I believe I shall. I have talked recently with pastors who have admitted with tears in their eyes that their ministry was as dust and ashes with no power. I have heard them cry from the depths of thirsty souls for the power of God on their lives.

Some already have a portion of His power on their ministry. I am deeply stirred each time I read the "With the Evangelists" column in THE SWORD OF THE LORD. There I read of revival meetings where great crowds come and the Holy Spirit moves in deep convicting power. But these are just a foretaste of the blessings God has in store for us.

God will not turn a deaf ear to the cry of a thirsty soul. Didn't He tell us in Isaiah 44:3: "I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground?" With Elijah the prophet I seem to "hear the sound of abundance of rain." Surely God is going to pour us out a blessing, even on this untoward generation.

But revival won't just come by itself. No, it takes hard work, importunate prayer and bold preaching against sin plus the special power of God's Holy Spirit. For years even our orthodox, fundamental Christian schools have been leaving the impression that God has changed, that He has retracted all His plain Bible promises for revival if Christians confess their sins and get right with God. We have a whole generation of young preachers who are the products of this teaching. This wrong idea must be broken down and Christians must be shown that revivals are plainly in God's plan for dealing with His people.

But what can be done about it? I have taken holy vows with God that my life would be given wholly to showing that this generation can have revival, can have an unusual outpouring of the Holy Spirit, that God is still just as anxious to see His people revived and blessed as He was in Finney's or Moody's time. I am now preparing for this task here in Wheaton College. But this is not enough! I want to be in this work of bringing back revival even now. I am working here at THE SWORD OF THE LORD as advertising and circulation manager because I believe this great evangelistic weekly paper is doing more to bring back great revivals and to teach people the plain Bible truth about God's requirements for revival than any other agency. I am deeply moved when I see the hard work that our beloved editor, Dr. Rice, puts into this paper, the tears and prayers necessary to make this work "go." Surely God has

anointed him in an unusual way for this work.

But you, too, should be helping in this heavy responsibility. Wouldn't you like to help me reach my generation with the truth about revivals? Don't you feel that you should be sharing some of the burden which Dr. Rice is carrying? Surely you can't just stand idly by as pastors grope their way along, humbly satisfied with the most meager results because they don't know how to get God's power. Oh, dear reader, you regularly receive the great revival blessings of THE SWORD OF THE LORD, but you must know many pastors and Christian friends who also need the burning messages of this paper. This holy paper coming into your home each week is a sacred trust which God has committed to you. You should be sending it to your Christian brothers who so desperately need its message. Won't you honor Christ and keep your spiritual trust with God by making it possible for them to receive these blessings, too?

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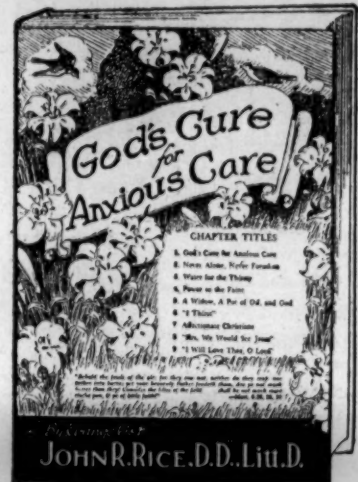
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